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STATE HISTORY DIRECTOR PHILIP F. NOTARIANNI TO RETIRE

The director of the Division of State History/Utah State Historical Society, Dr. Philip F. Notarianni, is retiring April 1, after 34 years at the Division.

Dr. Notarianni is an historian who has written extensively about ethnic and mining history in Utah. “In so many ways, history is absolutely vital for Utah’s present and future,” Notarianni said. “My passion has been to help Utahns benefit through history. We all gain as we understand and preserve the past and integrate it into the present. I’m honored to have been able to serve the state.”

During his tenure as director, the Division has put extensive resources online for its business, government, and citizen customers. It has furthered economic growth by facilitating pipeline, oil and gas, and other development projects, helping bring federal preservation tax credit dollars into the state, and providing grants and advice to communities.

The Division worked with State Archives to make historical records more easily available to citizens, media, students, publishers, and businesses. And it continued a 73-year tradition of excellence in the *Utah Historical Quarterly*.

Wilson G. Martin, who serves as Utah’s State Historic Preservation Officer and has extensive experience in historic preservation as well as archaeological and historical issues, has been appointed as acting director.

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